





# REPORT

OF THE

## FINANCIAL AFFAIRS

OF THE

TOWN OF ENFIELD,

ALSO, OF THE

SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING

MARCH 12, 1861.

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# ACCOUNTS.

We as auditors for the Town of Enfield for the year ending Feb. 25, 1861, have attended to the duties assigned us, and submit the following

## REPORT.

We have examined the accounts of the Selectmen and Overseer of the Poor, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

*The Selectmen charge themselves as follows :*

Received of the Town Treasurer,	\$47 06
note against C. Houston and others,	371 00
E. H. Blish,	8 85
G. W. Johnson as Liquor Agent,	48 59
E. C. Chandler as do.	38 36
J. M. Pattee, tax abated in 1858,	4 20
Thomas McNab,	1 56
Whole amount of taxes collected for 1860,	3917 82
Lebanon Bank on Note,	500 00
School House Tax, District No. 11,	59 09
No. 17,	102 87
State Literary Fund money for 1860,	144 30
School House Tax for District No. 9,	217 71
No. 6,	379 09
Lewis Cogswell on Note,	500 00
G. W. Johnson, profits on 1 quor,	59 12
E. C. Chandler, do.	122 13
State Rail Road Tax,	160 28
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	\$6682 03

*The Selectmen discharge themselves as follows :*

Paid State Tax,	\$319 90		
County Tax,	636 50—956 40		
School Money as follows :			
District No.	P. S. Committees.	No. Scholars.	Amount.
No. 1,	Allen Hayes,	134	242 18
2,	John S. Morgan,	31	79 94
3,	H. M. Jones,	17	63 94
4,	J. R. Heath,	39	89 08
6,	D. M. Stevens,	25	73 08
7,	Roswell Gage,	29	77 65
9,	Calvin Washburn,	38	87 94

10.	Dorsett Heath,	48	90	11	1
11.	J. W. Johnson,	64	117	66	1
12.	George Seaver,	33	82	22	1
13.	Caleb M. Dyer,	69	123	37	1
14.	N. P. Purmort,	10	55	94	1
15.	John H. Stevens,	26	74	22	1
16.	Philip Sargeant,	18	65	08	1
17.	Charles L. Clark,	44	94	80	1
18.	George W. Thurston,	45	95	94	1
		662	\$1513	15-1513	13

### Repairing Roads.

Roswell Gage, work on road,	10	60
J. M. Floyd,		80
Ira S. Gile,	15	00
F. P. & G. W. Currier,	9	00
William Huse,	4	75
Jonathan B. Sargeant,	1	40
Calvin Gage,	1	20
Ira S. Gile,	20	22
Roswell Gage,	1	00
Amos French,	2	50
Nathaniel Purmort,	8	00
N. P. Purmort,	2	35
Samuel Choate,	1	00
N. E. Huntoon,	11	51
Amos Pierce,	3	87
D. L. Tilton,		42
Lorenzo Day,	13	56
Darius Goodrich,	4	50
J. G. Spencer for gravel,	1	12-112 80

### Repairing Bridges.

Daniel McKinney, making bolts for bridge at East Enfield,	1	25
Pattee & Perley for spikes and iron for same,	2	49
Darius Goodrich for work on said bridge,	4	50
B. F. Burnham, work on bridge at N. Enfield,	1	69
S. R. Godfrey on road and bridges at do.	6	37
W. D. Huse on bridge at N. Enfield,	1	68
John Jones on bridge at East Enfield,	6	00
C. M. Dyer on Shaker bridge,	186	33-210 32

### Breaking Roads.

Calvin Gage for breaking roads,	\$21	80
Moses S. Choate do.	22	00
Ira S. Gile do.	16	74

Roswell Gage	do.	24 75
Jonathan B. Sargeant	do.	31 90
F. Pettingill	do.	5 50
Nathaniel Purmort	do.	19 90
N. P. Purmort	do.	9 50
John C. Clough	do.	3 50
John Loverin	do.	28 70
Samuel Choat	do.	9 75
N. E. Huntoon	do.	2 94
J. C. Pattee	do.	2 00
J. F. Jones	do.	60
Eli Story	do.	34 05
D. L. Tilton	do.	33
Darius Goodrich	do.	8 00
John Jones	do.	10 40
C. Houston, scraping snow from bridges,		1 50—253 86

## Plank for Highways and Bridges.

Paid A. P. Howe for 400 feet plank,		2 40
A. C. Lovejoy for 1020 do.		6 30
Darius Goodrich 843 do.		4 80
I. M. Floyd 350 do.		4 90
Matthew Dutton 785 do.		5 11
Calvin Washburn 1020 do.		7 17
J. B. Sargeant 85 do.		51
Convers Goodhue 124 do.		86
Calvin Gage 184 do.		1 07
Ira S. Gile 494 do.		3 21
Roswell Gage 380 do.		2 28
Nathaniel Purmort 140 do.		98
N. P. Purmort 324 do.		2 26
J. C. Clough 1065 do.		7 45
John Loverin 260 do.		1 82
F. C. Jenne 8077 do.		56 53
J. C. Pattee 1000 do.		6 00
Roswell Gage 1751 feet plank and timber,		8 05
F. P. & G. W. Currier for 4806 do.		31 27
William Huse 4248 do.		32 47
William Huse 942 feet of timber, 7 02—192 46		

## Land Damages.

Paid David & T. C. Burnham for land damages		
for new road and interest,		\$75 88
J. B. Sargeant for land damages, new road,		35 95
Northern Railroad, do.		1 00—112 38

## Building new Highways.

Lorenzo Day and Richard Goss for building road on David and T. C. Burnham's land, 60 00

## Damage of Insufficiency of Roads.

H. Moody, damages,	\$25 00
James McDaniells, damage on Horse,	15 00
B. P. Nichols, damage on Sleigh,	3 00
B. P. Nichols, damage on Waggon,	1 00—44 00

## Abatement of Taxes.

Paid A. C. Fifield, abatement of tax on money,	99		
Nathaniel Purmort, abatement on Horse,	16		
Simeon Garland, do.	33		
Convers Goodhue, abatement of E. Albee,			
Tax, 1856,	2 59		
Convers Goodhue, abatement of Betsey			
Clay, 1854,	1 95		
David Barnard, abatement Poll Tax, 1860,	1 58		
J. W. Johnson, abatement, Taxes 1859,			
Aaron Barney,	1 56		
Eleazer Chesley,	1 56		
Joseph Follensbee,	1 56		
Interest on same,	28		
J. W. Johnson, abatement for 1860:			
Joseph Aiken,	1 58	William Ford,	1 58
A. M. Browne,	1 58	Miss Marthy Flanders,	2 58
Aaron Barney,	1 58	Ora H. Gile,	1 58
Rufus B. Baker,	1 58	Stephen S. Heath,	1 58
W. T. Butman,	1 58	James Mulligan,	1 58
Philip Barker,	1 58	C. C. Wheeler,	1 58
J. W. Choat,	1 58	Orrin Watkins,	1 75
T. A. Dunham,	1 58	William WaIest,	1 58
J. M. Fogg,	1 58	Ebenezer Hoisington,	1 58
James H. Floyd,	1 58		
Mrs. R. W. Currier, over Tax, 1860,	6 70		
Joseph Atkins, school-house tax, Dist. No. 11,	29		
T. Butman, school-house tax, Dist. No. 17,	1 92		
William Washburn,	do.	1 17	
Charles Newell, error in taxing,		4 23—58 33	

## SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 9.

Paid Moses A. Brocklebank, underpinning & wharfing,	12 50	
William Currier,	do.	9 75
C. A. Cushing for school furniture,	101 50	
Henry French, work on school-house,	67 00	
Harvey Washburn, moving furniture,	1 50	
R. H. Van Buskirk, 9 lbs. zinc,	90	
W. C. Smith, work on school-house and shed,	19 56	
W. C. Smith, collecting school-house tax,	5 00—217 71	

## SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 11.

Paid J. F. Bryant, school-house tax, \$58 00

## SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 17.

Paid Amos French, school-house tax, 75 00

## SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 6.

Paid Henry Morse for school-house lot, 25 00  
 B. F. Skinner, locating school-house, 2 00  
 G. W. Johnson, do. 2 00  
 W. C. Smith, do. and notices, 3 50  
 B. F. Burnham, drafting school-house, 1 50 — 34 00

## SMALL POX, &amp;c.

Paid Dr. B. F. Skinner, vaccinating 565 persons, 113 00  
 Dr. T. H. Currie do. 463 do. 92 60  
 Dr. S. J. Allen, counsel in small-pox case, 8 00  
 E. L. Thayer, detained at home on ac. sm.-pox, 5 00  
 Henry French, making 2 boxes to bury clothes 4 81  
 T. Watts & J. Nutting for burying same, 1 50  
 G. W. Conant, services, 7 00 — 231 91

## Bills not before reported.

Paid N. W. Westgate, services in the Harry  
 Follansbee and H. J. Marshall cases, 23 70  
 J. Talbert, damage on horse and sleigh in 1859, 15 00  
 Hiram Purmort, 300 feet plank in 1859, 2 10  
 Alstead Brownell, breaking roads, Jan. 1860, 1 20  
 G. W. Conant, land damage in 1859, 45 00  
 Matthew Bryant, services in 1859, 4 52  
 R. P. Clough, finishing town reports 1859  
 and 1860, 5 00 — 96 52

## WINSHIP LAW SUIT.

Paid J. F. Bryant, taking depositions, 5 02  
 Amos French, taking depositions and expenses, 6 33  
 Matthew Bryant as Agent, Cash, 322 00 — 333 35

## Services.

Paid C. C. Dodge, services as Town Clerk, 19 88  
 B. F. Skinner, services as Superintending  
 Committee, 50 00  
 John Jones, services as Treasurer, 8 00  
 J. W. Johnson, collecting taxes, 40 00  
 do. in districts 11 and 17, 10 00  
 G. W. Johnson, as Liquor Agent, 40 00  
 E. C. Chandler, do. 60 00  
 John Jones, services as Selectman, 103 50  
 G. W. Conant, do. 86 75

Samuel Choat,	do.	62 75
W. C. Smith, services as Auditor,		5 00
J. F. Pattee,	do.	5 00
B. F. Burnham	do.	5 00—495 88

## Miscellaneous.

Amount of credit brought from page 3,

\$6682 03

## Present Liabilities of the Town.

Due Lewis Cogswell, Note,	\$500 00
Uri Perley, Note,	1000 00
Mary Emerson, Note and Interest,	206 81
John Johnson, do.	315 49
Horace Atwell, do.	409 44
H. W. Hardy, do.	171 00
H. W. Hardy, vall. services on town farm,	173 00
Samuel Choat on road damage, (awa. in 1858,) 160 00	
School District No. 6, balance School-house tax, 345 09	
L. Day, balance building new road on mountain, 90 30	
Henry French, balance job on school-house,	
District No. 9,	37 95—3409 08

## Available Funds.

Due from E. H. Blish, Note and Interest,	\$9 42
County on pauper account for 1859,	114 20
do. do. 1860,	381 47
Funds in E. C. Chandler's hands, liquor agent, 50 51	
do. G. W. Johnson's, do.	55 28
J. W. Johnson, school-house tax, Dis. No. 6, 379 09	
Town of Canaan, school-house tax, Dis. No. 9, 33 48	
Cash in Treasurer's hands,	242 05—1265 50
Total liabilities above availabilities, Feb. 25, 1861,	\$2143 58
Liabilities as per report last year,	1361 91
Liabilities more this year than last,	\$781 67—2143 58

## OVERSEER'S REPORT.

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*The Overseer charges himself as follows:*

Received of the County

For the support of Quincy Sanborn,	116 88
do. do. G. W. Fisher and family,	45 41
do. do. John Huntress,	98 07
do. do. transient persons,	9 00—269 26
Town of Grafton—Timothy Dunham,	2 88
Lebanon—Mrs. Maxwell & children, 83 51—86 39	
Shaker Mills Co. for 101 lbs. of wool at 49 cts.	49 49
Austin Brownson, for yoke of oxen,	135 00
Alstead Brownall, for pasturing 37 sheep,	9 25
Mrs. Salome Stevens—pasturing 2 2-year-olds,	4 75
J. C. Currier, for 17 lbs. butter,	3 06
Benj. Hartford for cider,	1 44
R. H. Vanbuskirk, 575 lbs. old iron,	5 75
Jas. R. Johnson for cider and tallow,	2 48—211 22
Mark Purmort, 1 pelt, .50; 228 lbs. beef, 10.22; 219 lbs. pork, 17.52; 1 barrel cider, 1.50,	29 74
J. F. Bryant, 33½ lbs. veal, 1.34—8½ lbs. hide, 1.06—45 lbs. veal, 1.51—10 lbs. hide, 1.25; 7 lbs. do., .84—119 lbs. butter, 21.42—stove- pipe, .25—67 lbs. hide, 4.02—69 gallons ci- der, 2.70—13 lbs. butter, 2.34—2 doz. eggs, .33—straw, .35	37 41
D. Gile for cider,	1 25
G. W. Winship for work,	1 40
C. L. Clark for drag plank,	75
B. Talbert, highway tax,	48
Mrs. Call for 16½ lbs. butter,	2 97—6 85
	\$640 87

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*Overseer discharges himself as follows :*

PAID FOR POOR ON THE FARM.

J. C. Lee, for 4 days thrashing,	3 00
Moses Spalding, 2 days haying,	2 00—5 00
G. W. Clark's bill,	
100 lbs. meal, 2.25 -1 bag, .25—1 barrel flour, 6.75—100 lbs. meal, 2.25—1 bag, .25—150 lbs. meal, 2.75—100 lbs. rye meal, 1.75—1 barrel flour, 7.70,	23 75
Mrs. Sarah Goodhue, hired man for shearing sheep,	1 50

J. Barber for one shoat,	5 25
S. Sylvester for chopping wood, 11 cords,	6 60
Amos French—5 bushels potatoes,	1 67
E. R. Dustin—use of bull,	34
G. W. Winship for hay (1350 lbs.),	7 42
Theophilus Clough, use of bull,	1 00
Lewis Pillsbury, 9 $\frac{1}{4}$ days work haying,	12 64
Jona. Andrews, 1 pair shoes, 1.50—fixing saw, .15,	1 65
Amos B. Proctor, blacksmith's bill,	5 85
J. F. Bryant's bill,	
5 lbs. tea, 2.50—4 $\frac{1}{2}$ lbs. tobacco, .95—15 lbs. saleratus, .90, 24 gallons molasses, 6 64—18 lbs. sugar, 1.24—3 axe-helves, .62—2 bushels salt, .80—3 bags salt, .59—37 3-4 lbs. codfish, 1.90—3 tin dippers, .38—3 pair shoes, 3.12; 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ barrels flour, 9.88— $\frac{1}{4}$ allspice, .05— $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. ground pepper, .04—1 box pills, .25—3 doz. clothes-pins, .12— $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. cream tartar, .22— $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. alum, .04—1 box mustard, .13; 1 bottle pepper-sauce, .12—8 oz. castile soap, .08—2 lbs. coffee, .28—4 lbs. nails, .18—1 whip lash, .17—3 doz. buttons, .09—1 paper needles, .05—2 knappies, .31—3 papers garden-seeds, .15— $\frac{3}{4}$ lb. twine, .21— $\frac{1}{2}$ bushel beans, .63—6 lbs. rice, .42—2 quarts tar, .17—14 oz. wool twine, .14—1 lb. ginger, .10—1 razor, .50—1 broom, .25—1 pint vil. .13—14 yds. denims, 1.96—1 pair cotton hose, .17—2 bowls, .18—2 lbs. coffee, .28—4 lbs. nails, .20—1 qt. lamp oil, .22— $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. cassia, .10— $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. nutmeg, .15—1 broom, .25— $\frac{1}{4}$ cream tartar, .11—1 lb. nails, .05—3 plates, .22—1 butcher knife, .25—1 file, .10— $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. pepper, .08—1 clothes line, .25—1 qt. boiled oil, .22—1 qt. japan, .31—1 pt. spirit turpentine, .09—4 lbs. French yellow, .16—1 bottle, .05—2 lbs. raisins, 25—kerosene oil, .42 paid Stowell on meal, .10—1 sett cups and saucers, .25—pipes, .05,	44 10
C. W. Conant, services as overseer of the poor,	23 92
M. Purmort's bill,	
866 lbs. meal, 17.07—1 axe helve, .20—paid E Eaton for work, .17—12 lbs. lime, .10—paid G. W. Fisher for work, 1.58—3 lbs. nails, .15—1 hammer, .17—2 scythe stones, .14—paid Woodbury, 1.20—axe and helve, 1.25; 23 lbs. beef, 1.18—1 bushel rye, 1.00—1 bag salt, .25; Goods delivered to Hardy, 3 42— $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. tea, .14—18 lbs. sugar, 1.71—bottle paregoric, .12—1 pt. oil, .12—1 qt. oil, .25—1 dipper, .15—1 bushel salt, .55—1 bag flour, 1.88—1 file, .10—paid J. W. O. Ilara, .40,	33 80
Luther Howe digging S. Colby's grave,	2 00
C. G. Morgan & Co.'s bill,	
nails, .59—45 lbs. sugar, 3.60—6 lbs. Y. Hyson tea, 2.70; 1 scythe, .75—scythe snath, .75—hay fork, .62—1 rake, .17—1 scythe stone, .10—1 kit mackerel, 2.50—1 apple parer, 1.00—keeping transient boy, .75,	13 53
E. Story, coffin, Sarah Colby,	6 00
Jas. R. Johnson's bill,	
2 lbs. tea, .80—20 lbs. sugar, 1 80—oil barrel, .50—1 Shaker pail, .58— $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. cream tartar, 18— $\frac{1}{4}$ gross matches,	

.12—1 barrel flour, 7.00—1 pail, .29—2 lbs. raisins, .25;	
6 squares glass, .18—1 almanac, .05—1 washboard, .25,	12 00
Benj. Hartford—making 9 barrels cider,	3 00
R. H. VanBuskirk's bill, 1 cookstove, 16.00; boiler, 2.50,	18 50
Mr. Pillsbury for planting,	1 00
Mrs. Pillsbury, cleaning house,	1 00
Frances Bucklin, 3 weeks work,	3.50
Gilbert Flanders for work,	50
Moses Leavitt—coopering,	50
E. Blanchard— $\frac{1}{2}$ bushel seed corn,	50
J. P. Carr's bill,	
To carrying coffin to Kidder's, .25—to carrying coffin to town farm and corpse to Grafton, 1.50—to freight on flour and meal, .20—freighting 1 bar. flour, .20—freight on rye meal, .10,	2 25
H. W. Hardy—cash,	27 50
J. F. Bryant—goods for Bosworth,	22
Mrs. Thatcher—work at farm,	50
Rev. Paul Chasc—services at Sarah Colby's funeral,	1 00
Shaker Mills Co.—1 barrel flour,	7 50
L. Currier—1 yoke of oxen,	90 00
B. Hartford—cleaning clock,	50
Total paid out for poor on farm,	\$365 99

## EXPENSES OF POOR NOT ON FARM.

J. F. Bryant's bill—for Wm. Welch,	
35 lbs. codfish, 1.70—3 1-2 lbs. tea, 2.05—24 lbs. pork, 3 00—46 3-4 lbs butter 7.73—tobacco .17—4 bags flour 7.59—14 lbs. sugar, 1.43—40 lbs. veal, 1.97—11 qts. beans, .62—48 1-2 lbs. beef, 3.15—8 1-2 lbs. cheese, .82; 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ cords wood, 12.57—1 qt. oil, .25—15 lbs. ham, 1.87; 35 lbs. potatoes, .30—1 pr. buck mittens, 1.25—1 bottle Week's compound, 1.00—paid Fisher for sawing wood, .88,	48 41
A. Bosworth—E. F. Kidder for support of A. Bosworth, 5 weeks,	18 00
Clothing and medicine,	1 35
J. B. Sargent, for digging grave,	1 00
Rev. Mr. Warner, services at funeral,	2 00
M. Bryant, bill of 1859,	10 39
E. Story—coffin,	6 00--38 74
J. C. Lee for sawing and splitting wood for Welch,	3 33
E. Story—lumber, 1.00—butts, screws and door-handle, .25—1 days' work, 1.25,	2 50
David Heath, for support of Irena Heath's child,	21 67
Pattee & Perley—Goods for said child,	2 24
Town of Springfield for the support of Samuel Saunders,	18 00
Thomas Whittemore—fare to Boston, 3.75—cash, 1.00,	4 75

G. W. Conant—time and expense going to Sharon, Vt., on account of Adelaide Eastman,	3 50
going to Grafton to search records,	3 00
J. W. Johnson—house-rent of H. Annis and wood,	20 00
G. W. Conant—postage and stationery,	1 50
E. Gilmore—boarding Laffe boy,	2 00
 Total paid out not on farm,	 \$169 64

*Bills for Poor of other towns.*

Lebanon—Mrs. Maxwell and children,	
C. G. Morgan & Co.'s bill,	8 69
J. F. Bryant's      do.	9 54
G. W. Clark's      do.	6 03
Samuel Choate's    do.	6 53
J. R. Johnson's    do.	1 81
M. Purmort's      do.	28 33
E. Story's      do.	4 50
B. F. Skinner's    do.	3 25
I. W. Sulloway's   do.	2 13
Wm. O. Baldwin's   do.	2 00
T. Manchester's    do.	4 00
H. Moody's      do.	3 25
T. J. Pillsbury's   do.	2 00
J. P. Carr's      do.	70
T. Butman's      do.	75—83 51
Grafton—J. F. Bryant, bill for support of T. Dunham,	2 88
 Total bills of other towns,	 \$86 39

County for J. Huntress, Rev. C. U. Dunning,	2 00
J. F. Bryant's bill,	7 99
E. Story,	6 50
J. W. Johnson,	1 00
B. R. Norris,	2 00
J. C. Lee,	1 00
Wm. Codman,	50—20 99
G. W. Fisher's family,	
G. W. Clark's bill,	6 53
C. G. Morgan & Co.'s bill,	8 38
C. Goodhue's      do.	7 93
M. Purmort's      do.	6 05
J. F. Bryant's    do.	9 54
Theo. Clough's    do.	30 26
Leonard Woodbury's do.	3 31
Theo. Goodhue's   do.	3 00
J. R. Johnson's   do.	1 03
E. F. Kidder's    do.	1 25
I. W. Sulloway's   do.	75

A. A. Cox's	do.	1 75
G. W. Conant's	do.	2 45
Shaker Mills Co.'s	do.	67—82 90
For William Maxwell,		
B. F. Skinner's bill,		6 09
M. Purmort's do.		26 57—32 66
T. Wier for support of Mrs. Barker,		5 00
Martin Fox family,		
G. W. Clark's bill,		3 12
J. F. Bryant's do.		3 72
C. G. Morgan's do.		2 65—9 49
Gilman Atwell, for suppprt of Quincy Sanborn,		63 88
M. Bryant—preparing pauper claims, going to Haverhill		
and expense,		6 55
cash paid for J. W. Wood,		1 00
Transient persons—cash paid out at divers times,		8 50
Total paid out for County paupers,		230 97
Whole expense,		852 99

## RECAPITULATION.

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Expense of poor on farm,	\$365 99
not on farm,	169 64
Paid out for County paupers,	230 97
do. other towns,	86 39
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	\$852 99

## CONTRA.

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Received from the County,	\$269 26
other towns,	86 39
town farm,	285 22
of Town Treasurer,	212 12
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Bills paid for Poor on farm,	\$852 99
Balance due Hardy for services,	365 99
	178 00
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	\$538 99

Due from County for board of County Paupers at the  
    Town Farm,

150 50

Amount sold off from Town Farm,

285 22

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435 72

Decrease of invoice on town farm,	52 35
	383 37
Cost of poor on farm more than income,	\$155 62
Number of persons on town farm, 3,	
1 county and 2 town paupers have died the past year.	
Due the Town for County bills of 1859 not yet adjusted	
for Joseph Huse and Martin Fox,	\$114 20

*Invoice of property on the Town Farm, made by the  
Selectmen Feb. 18, 1861.*

1 yoke of oxen, \$110; 3 cows, 70; 53 sheep, 160; 9 hens, 3; 1 shoat, 12; 20 bushels wheat, 25; 1-2 bush. peas, .75; 1 bushel beans, 1.50; 8 tons hay, 104; 1 barrel apples, 1; 1 do. flour, 7.50; 1 bush. rye meal, .80; 1 do. straw, 6; 3-4 do. corn meal, .60; 50 bush. potatoes, 12.50; 60 lbs. dried apple, 3; 1 1-2 barrel cider, 2.25; 1-2 do. soap, 2; lot soap grease, 3.50; 225 lbs. pork, 28.15; 100 lbs. beef, 8, 58 lbs. spare-ribs and shoulders, 4.24; 100 lbs. hams, 12; 3 meat barrels, 3; 2 cider do. 2; 2 soap do. 1.50; 2 vinegar kegs, .75; 16 gallons vinegar, 2.67; 90 lbs. cheese, 9; 32 lbs. butter, 6.40; 3 wash-tubs, 1.25; 1 gallon bottle, .25; 4 butter tubs, .67; 50 lbs. lard, 6.25; 6 lbs. tallow, .66; 25 lbs. candles, 3.12; 2 stone pots, .50; 1 drip-pan, 20; 7 tin pails, 2; 2 trays, .50; 1 salt mortar, .10; 1 lantern, .75; 1 apple-parer, 1; 6 pails, .75; 1 paddo-k., .10; 1 pr. steel-yards, .25; 60 sap buckets, 5; 2 grain-measures, 1; 1 tin-boiler, 2; 2 churns, 3; 1 cheese-press, 1; 3 spinning-wheels, .25; 10 beds and bedding, 80; 1 sink 1; 14 towels, 1; 5 table-cloths, 60; 2 burerus, 2; 4 tables, 1.50; 4 stoves and funnels, 25; 1 cock stove and funnel, 15; 2 brass kettles, 2; 4 cupboards, 5; 2 stands, 2; 2 fire shovels and tongs, 1.75; 2 teapots, .50; 5 bowls, .30; 32 plates, 1.50; 2 sets cups and saucers, .25; 2 cases knives and forks, 1; 1 clock, 2.50; 4 candlesticks, .30; 1 nappy, .30; 3 mirrors, .75; 18 chairs, 2; 4 sadirons, .80; 36 tin-pans, 5; 6 tin basins, .50; 2 platters, .50; 2 tea-kettles, 1.50; 1 pitcher, .10; 3 large iron kettles, 2.50; 3 small do. 1; 1 dinner-pot, .75; 4 baskets, 1.50; cheese tongs and hoops, 1; 1 large tin pan, .40; 2 seives and 1 strainer, .25; 5 clumbers, .50; 3 prs. sheep shears, 1.30; dough-board and rolling-pin, .50; 1 chopping-knife, .25; skimmers and bottle, .25; 4 butchers' knives, .50; 4 dustpans and 2 mops, 1; wash-dishes and ash-pan, .75; 2 brooms, .50; jug and cream-pot, .75; old cast iron and pump chain, .75; sap holder, 1; 76 lbs. chains, 5.44; 1 binding do. .50; 1 iron bar, 1.75; 4 ox sleds, 5.00; joiner's tools, 4; 1 shave, .50; 1 iron square, .15; angers and chisels, .50; 1 wood saw, 1; beetle and wedges, .50—2 scythe snaths, 1.50—2 shovels, 2—3 hay forks, 1.25—drag iron and plank, .75—1 saw-sett, .40—2 ox-yokes and irons and bows, 3—3 hay-rakes, .50—1 large do., .50—7 axes, 3—2 hoes, .75—2 manure forks, 1.75—1 grind-stone, 2.50—1 harrow, 3—3 plows, 6—1 winnowing-mill, 6—1 cart and fixtures, 20—1 extra new tongue, .50.

**TOTAL, \$884.16.**

Ameunt of property on farm last year,	956 51
do. do. this year,	884 16

Decrease of property on farm,	32 35
The town farm has furnished 8 1-2 cords of wood to Wm. Welch,	17 00
5 do. to town house,	10 00
which is mostly on hand at the present time,	27 00

## Report of Liquor Agents.

Dr.	E. C. Chandler's account as Liquor Agent.	Cr.
Feb. 10, 1861.	Liquors and fixtures	
of town,	38 36	137 gallons alcohol sold, \$132 11
Feb. 21.	As per bill & freight, 35 13	46 $\frac{1}{4}$ gallons Holland Gin, 73 35
March 2.	do. do. 15 53	80 $\frac{3}{4}$ do. American Gin, 60 53
April 4.	do. do. 14 76	23 3-8 do. Brandy, 98 43
19.	do. do. 12 78	6 1-8 do. Wine, 28 56
May 14.	do. do. 18 47	Bbls. and Kegs sold, 5 60
31.	do. do. 26 19	Liquors on hand, 44 51
June 13.	do. do. 15 56	Fixtures on hand, 6 00
July 2.	do. do. 11 18	
Ang. 8.	do. do. 15 56	
Sept. 1.	do. do. 22 76	
Oct. 16.	do. do. 28 81	
Nov. 15.	do. do. 6 00	
16.	do. do. 27 61	
Dec. 20.	do. do. 16 48	
29.	do. do. 11 18	
1 Faucet 30, 1 Blank Book 30, 60		
1 year services as Agent, 60 00		
Profits of the Town, 62 13		
	\$439 09	\$439 09

Dr.	G. W. Johnson's account as Liquor Agent.	Cr.
Feb. 1, 1860.	Received of	
Selectmen,	\$42 59	15 gallons liquor sold, \$18 92
20. As per bill & freight, 32 00		94 3-8 do. rum, 81 19
March 27.	do. do. 10 65	30 1-8 do. alcohol, 30 54
May 16.	do. do. 7 65	20 3-4 do. gin, 32 66
June 21.	do. do. 7 00	4 1-2 do. brandy, 27 25
July 24.	do. do. 36 48	2 3-8 do. wine, 6 31
Aug. 16.	do. do. 24 07	2 1-16 do. whiskey, 6 60
Oct. 13.	do. do. 35 24	6 bottles porter, 2 40
Nov. 2.	do. do. 7 15	Kegs sold, 11 25
Dec. 25.	do. do. 5 45	Liquors, kegs and fixtures on hand, 55 28
1 year's services as Agent, 40 00		
Profits of Town, 19 12		
	\$267 40	\$267 40

All of which is respectfully submitted,

WM. C. SMITH,  
J. F. PATTEE,  
B. F. BURNHAM, } AUDITORS.

# ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SUPERINTENDING

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

FOR THE YEAR ENDING

MARCH, 1861.

I respectfully submit the following REPORT, touching the interests entrusted to my care.

## SCHEDULE.

Districts, No.		Teachers.	Wages of teachers a month, including board.	Length of school in weeks.	Whole number of scholars attending school.	Average attendance.	
						1	2
1	Summer.	Miss A. L. Closson, 1st dep.	*	12	36	27	
		Miss M. E. Whitmore, 2d dep	\$16.00	11	49	40	
		Miss A. R. Blodgett, 1st dep.	*	11	36	29	
		Miss M. C. Haseltine, 2d dep.	*	10	40	31	
1	Fall.	Mr. W. Hazen, 1st depart.	\$32.00	11	44	31	
	Winter.	Miss A. J. Baldwin, 2d dep.	\$17.00	8	38	26	
2	Summer.	Miss E. E. Webster,	\$16.00	12	16	12	
	Winter.	Mr. F. A. Benton,	\$20.00	12	16	12	
3	Summer.	Miss L. S. Webster,	\$13.00	7	12	*	*
	Winter.	Miss M. C. Haseltine,	*	8	12	*	*
4	Summer.	Miss L. J. Burleigh,	\$15.88	10	25	23	
	Winter.	Miss L. D. Burleigh,	\$19.40	9	34	25	
6	Summer.	Miss A. A. Pillsbury,	\$11.00	9	13	*	*
	Winter.	do.	\$18.00	12	16	*	*
7	Summer.	Miss H. A. Fowler,	\$13.00	12	12	*	*
	Winter.	do.	\$14.00	10	18	*	*
9	Summer.	Miss M. C. Haseltine,	\$19.00	12	27	21	
	Winter.	Mr. S. H. Jackman,	\$30.00	11	27	19½	
10	Summer.	Miss Ruth Chesley,					
	Winter.	Miss R. F. Currier,					
11	Summer.	Miss M. V. Clarke,	*	9	45	*	
	Winter.	Miss H. A. Smith,	*	11½	40	33	
12	Summer.	Miss A. L. Sulloway,	*	12	24	21	
	Winter.	do.	*	13	28	21	
13	Summer.	Mary W. Irish,	*	15	25	22½	
	Winter.	Sylvester Russell, Jr.	*	12	35	30½	
14	Summer.	Miss M. A. Sargent.	\$14.00	12	9	7	
	Fall.	Miss M. F. Stickney,	\$11.68	12	10	*	
15	Winter.	do.	\$12.00	10	6	do.	
	Summer.	Miss M. A. Cummings.	\$10.00	15	16	11	
16	Winter.	Mr. H. L. Burpee.	\$23.00	11	19	13	
	Summer.	Miss L. M. Fisher.	\$11.20	8	8	7	
17	Winter.	do.	\$18.00	12	12	7	
	Summer.	Miss S. J. C. Choate.					
18	Winter.	Mr. H. Shepherd.	\$26.00	14	30	26	
	Summer.	Rosetta Cummings.	*	15	15	14	

\* Not reported.

## REMARKS.

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### DISTRICT NO. 1. NORTH ENFIELD.

The year has not been one of uninterrupted prosperity to this school. Six different teachers have been engaged here during the year. This fact has operated very materially against the welfare of the school.— Allowing that the teachers are all good, their methods of instruction are very dissimilar, and the scholars no more than fairly get started in one way, before they must abandon it and adopt another, which in its turn, in a few weeks, gives place to a third. Would not scholars naturally, under such circumstances, become bewildered and discouraged?

You have had some good teachers during the year, and I will not say that they would not all be efficient teachers in your school, could they be retained long enough. They certainly are all persons of ability and of good attainments in scholarship. I earnestly recommend to you to secure the services of good teachers, of tried and proved ability, and then retain them as long as possible.

### DISTRICT NO. 2. SHAKER HILL.

Two successful terms of school have been taught in this District. The scholars have been tolerably regular in their attendance, giving an average of about 13, during the year: the whole number being 16.

There is a harmonious feeling among the people of the District, which is always a great help to a school. The school-house is in a ruinous condition.

### DISTRICT NO. 3. JONES' HILL.

The two terms passed off pleasantly, and with a good degree of prof. It. The shortness of the terms and irregularity of attendance have operated as drawbacks. No Maps have as yet made their appearance in your school-house. I assure you, a little money laid out in this way would be a good investment.

### DISTRICT NO. 4. EAST VILLAGE.

No great degree of success has been attained in this school. The teachers have not been of a high order, the school-house is miserably uncomfortable, and lastly, and mainly, the inhabitants of the District are exceedingly inharmonious.

The people of this District have heretofore seemed to feel a lively interest in the school, and I earnestly hope that no party spirit or neighborhood disagreement will be allowed to destroy this interest. Is it not better to yield a little of what we think to be right, and suffer a little of what we think to be wrong, than to have our school ruined, and our children growing up in ignorance?

### DISTRICT NO. 6. EAST HILL.

A Summer and a Winter term have been taught in this District by Miss Addie Pillsbury.

The Summer term was successful, or as nearly so as was possible with the very irregular attendance. The winter term was not quite so orderly. A good male teacher is needed in this school for the Winter terms. A new school-house is to be built in this District the coming Spring. The District is now of respectable size, with a good number of scholars, and ability to build and furnish a good house. I see no reason why this may not become one of the first schools in town.

**DISTRICT NO. 7. R. GAGE'S.**

Miss Fowler has again had charge of this school during the entire year. The school has worked harmoniously, and fair progress been made. Now, that you are about to build a new school-house, allow me to caution you not to get it too small.

**DISTRICT NO. 9. CAMBRIDGEVILLE**

This school passed a good examination at the close of the Summer term.

The Winter term commenced with the advantage of a new and beautiful school-room. The effect of this was at once apparent in the altered demeanor of the pupils. They looked pleased and cheerful, earnest and wide awake, and yet quiet and orderly. Altogether there was an air of refinement about the school which I have hardly seen in any other ; so much is human nature influenced by its surroundings. They had the advantage also of the instructions of a thorough teacher, and of course passed an excellent closing examination. I make no exceptions this time.

**DISTRICT NO. 10. GEORGE HILL.**

The Summer term was a success. In Arithmetic particularly they passed an excellent examination.

The Winter term is still in progress, under the instruction of Miss Rachel F. Currier, who is proving herself an efficient teacher.

I feel called upon, again to remind you of the uncomforatableness, the unfitness of your school-house. Other Districts are coming up to this work nobly, and you surely are as well able as they. Make your school-house the very best in town, and, my word for it, you never will repent it.

**DISTRICT NO. 11. CENTRE VILLAGE.**

I think prosperity has dawned upon this school. It is true the Summer term was not quite what it should have been, but the Winter term has been eminently successful. Good order has been maintained, and good improvement made. I must, however, except some scholars who have been irregular in their attendance. Such never make any great advancement.

**DISTRICT NO. 12. GEORGE SEAVER'S.**

The affairs of this school are in a pleasing condition. The school-house has been repaired the past year ; something more should be done to the inside, and it will be one of the very best school-houses in town. The District is harmonious, and evinces a lively interest in the school.

Two most excellent terms have been taught during the year by Miss Sulloway. I recommend that she be retained as long as possible.

**DISTRICT NO. 13. CHURCH FAMILY.**

This school retains its high rank among the schools of the town. It is steadily advancing, and getting further and further ahead of the other schools. Why is this? Because they have excellent teachers? Not altogether; but because, coupled with this fact is the other, that they are employed year after year with the same pupils. Here is direct proof that the plan of retaining the same teacher for several consecutive terms and years, is a good one, provided the teacher is what he should be. Another reason for the prosperity of this school has been the perfect regularity of attendance.

**DISTRICT NO. 14. H. PURMORT'S.**

Three terms have been taught in this District during the year, the last two of which have been very profitable. A little Map of New Hampshire, which cost but a trifle, has already been of untold value to this school. No other school in town is one half as well informed of the Geography of our own State, and this notwithstanding that they are all small scholars. You have good schools in this little District; you feel a lively interest in their welfare, yet there is one cause of reproach that stands against you. You have become so accustomed to it that I fear you will forget it, unless I remind you. I allude to that little, shabby, old school-house, standing almost in the highway. When you once come to think of it, I am sure your good judgment and good taste will direct you what to do.

**DISTRICT NO. 15. FOX HOLLOW.**

The Summer term in this District was tolerably successful. The teacher failed somewhat in maintaining order. The Winter term, which is still in progress, must fail of any great success. The first teacher for this term was compelled to leave, in the midst of the term, by reason of ill health. After a time a second teacher was engaged, who has met with a good deal of opposition on the part of some of the parents, — an opposition which, in my opinion, is quite unmerited.

**DISTRICT NO. 16. PHILIP SARGENT'S.**

The money in this District has been, I think, profitably expended. The school has been under the charge of the same efficient teacher during both terms. Good order has been maintained, and good improvement made in the various branches pursued.

A new sett of Reading Books is much needed here.

**DISTRICT NO. 17. FISHMARKET.**

The Summer Term in this District came to a close sooner than was expected: so I can report nothing in regard to its profitability. All I can report is, that the teacher has failed to return her register.

The Winter term was again under the charge of Mr. Shepherd, who has been, as heretofore, highly successful.

In regard to your school-house, I think you have begun well, and I hope you will persevere in well-doing, until the inside of your house shall correspond with the outer, and the nice yard and fence.

## DISTRICT NO. 18. BARKER FAMILY.

A Summer term was taught in this District by Rosetta Cumings.— She is a young teacher, and this was her first school. She succeeded well. During the Winter, no school has been taught in this District. The boys have attended the Church Family School.

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## GENERAL REMARKS.

There are certain evils, which operate very greatly to the detriment of our schools, which are chargeable directly upon the parents.— Among these are the following:—irregularity of attendance, multiplicity of text-books, and a frequent change of teachers. And I might mention, also, a tendency to crowd scholars into higher branches, before they have half mastered the elementary. I think the time spent with Algebra, could, in almost every instance, be more profitably spent with Arithmetic or Geography or History.

I urge upon the Prudential Committees, that hereafter, they never allow a teacher to commence a school without the certificate required by law, without regard to the experience of the candidate. An opposite course has led to trouble in several instances, and always places the Superintending Committee in an unpleasant position.

To stop a school after it has commenced, on account of the incompetency of the teacher, is often to raise a District quarrel, which will spoil the school for the term, and it may be for years. So teachers are sometimes retained under these circumstances, who are not quite what they should be, as the lesser of two evils. Let the candidates, in every instance, go before the Superintending Committee for examination before the time for the commencement of the term, as the law requires, and this cause of trouble will be removed.

Another evil, and one which is chargeable upon the teachers, is the imperfect manner in which the registers are kept, and negligence about returning them. This, besides being exceedingly annoying, precludes the possibility of accurate reports. Unless teachers reform in this respect, I recommend that their pay be withheld according to law, which requires that the returns be made at the close of the term, and not six months, nor one month afterwards.

I recommend the purchase of a sett of Outline Maps, and a Map of New Hampshire by every District in town, not possessed of them. The cost is but trifling, and they will pay for themselves, over and over again, in a single term.

I again recommend the following Text-Books :

Town & Holbrook's Progressive Readers and Spellers, Colton & Fitch's Geographies, Town's Grammars, Adams' and Colburn's Arithmetics, Goodrich's and Quackenbos' Histories of U. S. and Worcester's Outlines of History.

These are already adopted, very generally, throughout the town. Some of the old books are to be found, however, in a good many of the schools, leading to a great deal of inconvenience in forming classes and doing vast injury in this way. It may be penny wisdom to cling to these old books in this way, but I believe it is pound foolishness.

As a whole our schools are, steadily, though it may be slowly, improving. Compare the schools of to-day with those of twenty years ago and this fact becomes apparent to every one. Let us not then be discouraged, but earnestly continue our labors for the welfare of our schools: let us "in the morning sow the seed, and in the evening withhold not our hands: for we know not whether shall prosper, or whether they both shall be alike good." It matters little whether we all live or not to reap the fruits; if we do our duty faithfully, some body will be benefitted thereby.

B. F. SKINNER, S. S. COMMITTEE.

ENFIELD, FEB. 22, 1861.





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